



A
RELATION
OF SVCH THINGS AS

were observed to happen in the Journey
of the right Honourable CHARLES Earle
of NOTTINGHAM, L. High Admirall
of ENGLAND, His Highnesse
Ambassadour to the King
of SPAIN:

Being sent thither to take the Oath of the sayd
King for the maintenance of Peace betweene
the two famous Kings of Great Brittain
and Spaine:

According to the severall Articles formerly concluded
on by the Constable of Castilla in England
in the Moneth of August,
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To the Reader.



Having collected together many generall observations in that Honourable iourney into Spain, lately performed by the right honourable and worthy Earle, The Earle of Nottingham; although amongst many reasons which perswaded me to be therein to my selfe secret, and to the world sparing in diuulging this Treatise, I found especially (and which I must of necessitie confesse) mine owne weakenesse in compiling the same and making it fit and worthy of so generall a reading, as by this consequence it must vndergoe: yet being ouer-weighed with many especiall motives which I could not well answer or contradict, I thought ra-

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*ther to expose my selfe to the fauourable
censure of the worthiest & best minded;
(who rather respect a plaine and home-
bred stile, yet true, than a tale consisting
of eloquent phrases, but doubtfull) than
pleasing my selfe in mine owne fearefull
humor, giue cause of offence to them
whom most I laboured to content. The
first of these motiues being, That many
of my friends, knowing me to haue been
by especiall appointment an Attendant
upon his Lordship in that honourable
employment, and vnderstanding of the
care taken by me in obseruing some par-
ticulars in the same; exceedingly urged
me to giue them a perfect knowledge and
satisfaction thereof: which as it was a
thing likely to be tedious, so could they
not receiue that contentment by a brieffe
Report, which a more ample Relation
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and Discourse might better affoord. Another was, That for that it came to our knowledge, how many false and ill contriued reports had beene bruted abroad after our departure from England; as well derogating from that honourable enterteinment we receiued in generall whilest we were in Spaine, as from the proceedings of his Lordship and his Company in some particulars, I could not but (taxing my selfe of dutie to his Lordship and the rest) endeavour to satisfie all doubtfull and vnsatisfied minds with relating and declaring the truth thereof. But a third and a more especiall cause is, That sithence our returne, one not well informed hauing vnder- taken to know much of the proceedings of that Iourney, and mistaking himselfe in his own vnderstanding, lately

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ly published a Pamphlet of many false and erroneous observations : therby possessing the Readers with an vntrue Relation of that, the trueth whereof they so much desired. Upon these former considerations therefore, I was aduised to tender vnto your generous acceptance my wel-meaning endeuors ; which although they cannot giue that pleasure and content in reading you happily expect , yet shall they assure you what they promise : That is ; A true Relation of such things which happened in that honorable Iourney. In reporting whereof, I had rather be condemned for plainnesse , than once suspected for reporting an vntrueth.

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aliàs S O M E R S E T ,
Herauld.



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SO soone as the right honorable
 Charles Earle of Nottingham L.
 High Admirall of England had
 taken notice from his Maiesty,
 That it was his will and plea-
 sure to employ him in this great
 Ambassage to the K. of Spaine,
 calling to minde, how honourably and richly the
 Duke of Fryas, Constable of Castilla & late Ambassa-
 dour for the said king, had formerly demeaned him-

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felfe in *England* : presently, with a most honourable
 resolution, neither fearing the hazard of his person,
 being now aged, nor regarding the expences, that so
 great and honourable an employment should re-
 quire : with what speed he conueniently might, en-
 deuoured to performe his Maiesties designs and ap-
 pointment heerein. And therefore by the aduice of
 the Councell of *England*, he first resolved both what
 honourable personages and what number of them
 might be fitting, for accompanying and attending
 him, in this his great imployment. To whom when
 as particular Letters from the Councell, by his Ma-
 iesties especiall commandement were dispatched, to
 giue them notice, to prepare themselues to attend
 the said Noble Earle according as his Highnesse had
 commanded ; they seemed so willing and readie to
 performe their duty and seruice therein, that his
 Lordship was farre more troubled to denie many,
 and that of very good sort, who voluntarily tendered
 their seruice in good will and honour of his Lord-
 ship to attend him in this his appointed voyage, than
 he was at first in bethinking what company were ne-
 cessary to take with him. And therefore at last con-
 cluding of a competent number, (not without dis-
 pleasing many) he resolved vpon these whose names
 heereafter follow :

The Earle of *Pearth*.

The Lord *Howard* of *Effingham* his sonne and
 heire.

The Lord *Willoughbey*.

The Lord *Norrrys*.

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Sir Charles Howard knight, his second sonne.

Sir Thomas Howard knight, second sonne to the
Earle of *Suffolke*.

Sir Iohn Sheffeld knight, sonne and heire to the
Lord *Sheffeld*.

Master *Pickering Wotton*, sonne and heire to the
Lord *Wotton*.

Sir Richard Lewson knight, Admirall of the
fleet and Viceadmirall of *England*.

Master *Thomas Compton*, brother to the Lord
Compton.

Hans Herman Van Veiscenbach, a German, and
of good esteeme in *England*.

Sir Robert Drewry.

Sir Robert Maunsell, Treasurer of the kings Na-
uy, and Viceadmirall of the fleet.

Sir Edward Howard his nephew.

Sir Thomas Palmer.

Sir Edward Swift.

Sir William Smith.

Sir Iohn Treuor, surueyor of the nauy.

Sir Robert Killegrew.

Sir Richard Comper, Gentleman-porter of the
Kings house.

Sir George Buc.

Sir Guylford Slingsby.

Sir Adolfus Cary.

Sir Francis Howard, his Lordships nephew
also.

Sir Sackuyle Treuor, Rereadmirall of the fleet.

Sir Walter Gore.

Sir William Page.

Sir Giles Hoftman.

Sir Thomas Roe.

Sir John Eyres.

Sir Phillip Cary.

Sir Henry Knowles.

Sir John Gueuarra. Knights.

Master *Giles Porter* his interpreter. Doctor *Marbeck.*

Doctor *Palmer*, Physitians. Master *Pawlet.* Ma-

ster *Cary.* Master *Barret.* Master *John Lewson.*

Lewis Tresham. Captaine *Thomas Button.* *William*

Button. *John Fearne.* Hierom *Laments.* *Henry But-*

ler. *John Milliscent.* *Bernard Saunders.* *Philip*

Roper. *Francis Plomb.* *Roger Tailor.* Captaine *Wil-*

liam Morgan. *Henry Minn.* *Christopher Fredericke.*

Thomas Buc. Captaine *William Polewheelee.* *Ed-*

mond Fittou. *Walter Grey.* *John Atkinson.* *Dudley*

Carleton. *Edward Smith,* and many other gentle-

men of good condition and quality aswell his

Lordships priuate Officers and Seruants, as di-

uers whose names are not heerein remembred.

The ships appointed to attend his Lordship and his

company for transportation of themselves, the

followers and necessaries, were these:

The Beare.

The Dew-repulse.

The Wast-spight.

The Mary-Anne.

The Amity.

The Resistance.

The great Hoy called the George.

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According to appointmēt, the said Lords, Knights and Gentlemen prepared themselves to giue their attendance whensoever his Lordship should take his iourney, and therefore vnderstanding that he intended to take leaue of the king on Thursday the one and twentieth day of *March* according to the computation of *England*; the greatest number of them being very richly apparelled themselves and extraordinarily appointed for their seruants, gaue their attendance at *Nottingham* house the said one and twentieth day of *March*, his Lordship hauing appointed many barges and boates for conueying himselfe, the said lords and knights and their company to the Court, the Kings Highnesse then being at *Greenwich*: the said Earle hauing ordained his owne company to be in number as followeth: Six Trumpeters clad in Orange colour Damaske, with cloakes of cloth of the same colour, and Banners of Damaske with his Honours armes thereupon. Six Footemen in Orange Tawny veluet alike futed. Six Pages, clad likewise in veluet of the same colour, with their cloakes suteable. Thirty gentlemen with cloakes of blacke veluet. Fourescore yeomen well apparelled with livery cloakes of Orange Tawny cloth, garded with siluer & blew silk lace. The said noble Earle being thus prepared went with his said company from *Nottingham* house the said Thursday about noone, & so shooting the bridge, arrived at *Greenwich* immediatly after dinner: and there presenting himselfe and his company vnto his Maiestie, was most acceptably and graciously entertained. After some time spent in recei-

uing his Highnesse commandement aswell concerning himselfe in his owne particular, as also touching the conducting and presenting of Sir *Charles Cornwallys* knight, who was appointed for to be his Maiesties lieder Ambassadour with the king of *Spaine*. The said Ambassadours, Lords, Knights and Gentlemen humbly taking their leaues of his Highnesse were for that night dismissed; euery one taking himselfe to his lodging, there remaining and expecting his Lordships further pleasure to be knowen when they should prepare to set forward on this iourney.

His Lordship hauing now dispatched his private counsels and intendments with his Maiefty and the Lords of the Councel, gaue warning to his said company and followers to be ready against Tuesday morning being the six and twentieth day of the said moneth of *March*. Which time he gaue to prepare themselves; for that day he intended to set forward. On which said day being both mindfull and forward for his intended Iourney, he was early vp in the morning, and taking the time of the tide, and such company as were ready, being to the number of 80. persons, in diuers barges and boates passed from *Nottingham* house to *Grauesend*, and there dined, staying for much of the company which followed. After dinner they rode from *Grauesend* to *Chatham* where he lodged that night. The same night the Earle of *Marre* came from the court of purpose to congratulate with his Lordship, and do such like priuate offices of friendship. The next day being wednesday his Lordship would haue gone to the ships, which were then

then fallen so low as *Quynborow*, there riding at Anchor and staying our comming, but the weather fell out somewhat foule and the wind contrary, so that he rested at *Chatham* that night. The next day being Thursday the eight and twentieth of *March*, before seven of the clocke in the morning his Lordship hauing commanded to be ready diuers barges and pinnesses to carry himselfe and his followers aboard the ships, tooke his barge, and about tenne of the clocke the same day entered the ship called the Beare, lying in *Quynborow* Road as afore is said, together with the Dew-repulse and the Wast-spight, which three shippes kept company together and lay of purpose to transport his Lordship, the Ambassadour Lidger, and the other Lords, Knights and Gentlemen that were of the company and traine.

Now what by reason of staying for some of the Lords and Gentlemen, as yet not come a boord, for the better disposing and ordering all things concerning the voyage, as also for placing and appointing to euery man his roome accordingly. The weather likewise being not very faire to put to sea, we Anchored before *Quinborow* till Sunday morning being Easter day and the last day of *March*. At which time the wind comming about to the West and standing faire to put to sea, his Lordship commanded to wey and to set saile, which was done accordingly: Sailing as farre as the tide would giue them leaue, which was to a certaine Road, between the Sands neere to the Shoe Beacon, where they rested that night. The next day being very foule and the wind contrary,
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they were faine to ride it out til Tuesday morning being the second of *April*. At what time the weather fell somewhat faire, and his Lordship being desirous to take all aduantage that might forward the iourney, commanded to wey againe and put to sea, but the wind being very slacke, he was becalmed and so driuen to a flatte neere the Spitts, where for that the tide was much spent, and the flood comming on, they cast Ancor about one of the clocke in the afternoone, there staying in expectation of wind till Wednesday morning, when although there was little or no wind stirring, yet his Lordship set forward, tiding it as far as they could that night. The next day being Thursday early in the morning the wind comming somewhat towards the North, his Lordship caused to wey Ancor, and so with expence of time and much pains, the shippes recouered *Douer Road*, where they anchored aswell for the receauing in of many of the company as also for taking in fresh water and victualls. So soone as the fleet was discouered and comming neere *Douer Road*, aswell the forts and blockehouses as the castle of *Douer* saluted them with many shot: his Lordship answering them againe both out of his owne ship and out of the rest also with the like.

That night the Lordes and Gentlemen for whom they made stay at *Douer* came aboard, and that night also his Lordship minded to haue set forward, had not the Hoie called the *George*, by spending of her Mast, in her passage from *Quynborow* to *Douer*, caused a longer aboad.

Now for that the saide Hoie was appointed to
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carrie prouision and necessaries for the fleete, and could not be so soone made ready againe for seruice, as was desired, and for that, the winde standing at North-east was a faire and fitte winde for going forward: His Lordship aduised with Sir *Richard Lewsen* the Admirall of the fleet, that some course might be presently had to forward the iourney; Sir *Richard* therefore with great care and extraordinarie paines, labouring all that night, being seconded by Sir *John Treuor* Surueyor of the Nauie, unladed the saide Hoie, of all such necessarie prouisions as they were like to vse in the voyage, and hauing that night and the next morning disperfed her luggage some in one shippe and some in another, and being returned to to the shippes, about tenne of the clocke a warning peece was giuen; and about two howers after, they weyed, and sailed all that day being Friday, the fifth day of Aprill, vntill the next day being Saturday, and then being becalmed, were faine to cast ancor againe. That night the winde comming faire, they weied ancor, and so sailed all that night till the next day, the winde againe altering, they lay at anchor till towards the euening, and then set forward, sayling vntill tenne of the clocke the next day, and then cast ancor. About tenne of the clocke in the euening they weied ancor againe, and so sailed with a faire winde that night and the next day. On Wednesday as we sailed, his Lordship commaunded to hayle a Barke which was discouered to be a Barke of *Barnstable* in *Deuonshire*, and came from *Bayon* in *Fraunce*, who declared for newes that there was a yongue Prince

borne in *Spayne*. Now it should seeme, his Lordship had receaued vnderstanding by letters from the right Honourable, the Vicount *Cramborne*, his Highnesse principall Secretarie, deliuered to him whilest we laie at road before *Douer*; that his comming was expected, and prouision made for him and his companie, by the King of *Spayne* at Saint *Anderas*. His Lordship hauing sent his prouision of Horses, Coches, Lytters, Hangings, and other his rich furniture and necessities: together with his Herbengers and other Officers to the *Groyne* in seuerall Hoies appointed for that purpose: the Kings shippe called the *Aduantage*, being their Conuoy. His Highnesse presents likewise vnder the charge of *Thomas Knoell* one of his Maiesties Ecquery, and appointed messenger for the deliuerie thereof to the King of *Spaine*, in their said companie. And being vncerteine, whether the Kings designs were aswell known to the said Herbengers and the rest, as to himselfe: he commaunded captaine *Morgan*, and one Master *Pet* a Master Shipwright, and a very good Mariner; to goe on bord the *Resistance*, being a shippe of *London*, and one appointed for cariage of prouision in this iourney, to make what way they possibly could for the *Groyne*, to commaund the said shippes prouisions and people, to meet him in the mouth of the harbour, thence to beare in his company for Saint *Anderas*. But the said shippe was becalmed as was the rest of the fleet likewise, and could make no way, but kept company with vs till Sunday morning; after which time we had no more sight of her till her comming to
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the *Groyne*, which was the next day after our arri-
uall there.

On Munday morning earely the land was disco-
uered by the fleet, and about fower of the clocke in
the afternoone, they arriued into the road of the
Groyne, being a very safe and pleasant harbour.

We were no sooner descried from the lande; but
the Gouvernour of the towne *Don Lewys de Carilla de
Toledo*; *Seigneur Peynte Corde de Carazena*, and Go-
uernour of *Galicia*, had commaunded to make ready
for interteyning his Lordship, which was most royal-
ly performed, being vpon entrance into the harbour,
first saluted from a fort on the North side, the towne
with twentie great peeces of Ordinance. Then from
the fort lately builte vpon the rocke with fixe and
twentie peeces of great Ordinaunce; and from the
towne and castle with thirtie great peeces of Ordi-
nance at least. His Lordship comming to ancor
with the rest of the shippes, gaue them their whole
broad sides. Immediatly vpon his Lordships arriual,
the Gouvernour of the Towne sent the foure princi-
pall officers, Commanders of the Towne together
with his Brother *don Iohn de pacheco* and *Don Lewis
de Carilla de Toledo* his only sonne to giue his Lord-
ship the welcome, wherein they demeand themselves
so exceeding kindly, and with the most affable and
respectiue speeches that might be, excusing their
slender entertainment by reason of their late vnder-
standing of his Lordships comming to the *Groyne*,
for that they had intelligence his Lordship meant to
haue gone to Saint *Anderas*. After a short time spent

in complement with these Commanders, the Gouvernour himselfe (being accompanied with diuers personages of worth came aboard in a barge which seemed to haue been made of purpose for this vse. The Rowers and Mariners thereof (being clad in blew silke Cassoks and Caps, and the barge couered with blew veluet, and newly painted) reported to his Lordship, that the King his master had especially written to him in these words; That he should haue respect, what person he was that was comen Ambassadour, from whom he was come, and to whom he was sent; and this he should do euery thing for the honour of these three persons without sparing any thing that might be fitte for his Lordships entertainment. And therefore the Gouvernour intreated his Lordship to go on Land, which he refused to do that night, but being much importuned, he promised to go on shore the next day. During the Gouvernours abode on the ship there came many on board likewise, and they of all conditions. Doctors of Law, Churchmen, Friers, and of all other sorts of people; who all seemed much to wonder and admire the greatnesse and neatnesse of that Galeon as they termed her: exceedingly commending and applauding the same. At the departure of the said Gouvernour from the shippes, his Lordship gaue many pieces of ordinance, which were againe receaued and answered from the towne and forts. The whole towne indeed being but a hold and fort, but very strong. That night they sent from the towne vnto his Lordship a present of fish & fruit, bread and such like commodities as the country yeelded,

ded, excusing that they were not able to shew their loue in better sort vnto his Lordship: for that Munday the day of his arriual being Saint *Markes* day with them, and the Fishermen as then not going to sea, and also hauing feasted as that day for ioy of the birth of the yong Prince: they were the more vnfurnished of better present and more fitte for his entertainment.

On Tuesday the sixtienth day of *April*, his Lordship prepared to go on shore, to his lodging, which was prepared for him at the gouernours house, which house is the whole pleasure of the towne, for that it ouerlooketh the whole harbor and is seated in the heart of the towne. The gouernour likewise hauing taken great care to receiue his Lordship in the most honourable manner: and therefore had vpon intelligence of our comming to the *Groyne*, caused to be builded a bridge of Timber aboue forty yards long and painted the same, yellow red and blew, and garnished the same with many pencels of silke of like colours very formally and planted the way into the towne with bowes of Baies and Orange trees, and strewed the same with rushes and flowers. The whole company of the towne and many more of the Country (being as was supposed) drawen thither for this purpose only, all ready to giue his Lordship entertainment after the best fashion; when the time came that his Lordship might conueniently land, for vntill three of the clocke after noone the flood was not, vpon which he must of necessity land, the Gouernour sent diuers of the Commanders of the town to giue notice, that he

and other the Magistrates of the towne would attend vpon the bridge, his Lordship thereupon tooke his barge carying in the head therof, an Ancient of white silke, with the picture of the sunne in the vpper part thereof; his *Moto* or word being *Desir Na' Repos*, written in maner of a Beud, within the same, and so came in very honourable maner to the bridge, where staied for him the said Gouvernor, Iudges and Magistrates of the towne, enterteining the English as they landed, the whilest the musicke, being Shagbots and Hoboyes & placed for that purpose vpon the bridge, plaied sweet and delectable melody, and so the Spaniards intermingling themselves with the English according to their degrees, euer giuing the right hand to the English, passed into the Towne in order as followeth. First went foure of his Lordships seruants, who were appointed Marshals for his traine. After followed certaine of his officers in his house & chamber in their liuries. Next after followed the gentlemen his seruants and especiall officers in their liuries of blacke veluet. Then followed the Esquires and Knights euery one according to his degree: then with our Lords and Nobles, diuers Spanish Commanders and Iudges of the kingdome of *Galicia*. At their entrance into the town, there was shot off an exceeding great volley of shot both great and small, and so they passed all on foot to the Condies house, and at the entrance of his Lordship into the house, there were shot off a great number of Chambers, being for that purpose, as it should seeme, planted ouer against the Condies gate. His Lordship being thus receiued was exceedingly

exceedingly well appointed and lodged. That night what by reason of the littlenesse of the roome and the muchnesse of the company, he was both lated, and could not but be much troubled at his Supping, wherein the Cond and his officers, did make manifest their exceeding care and respect to haue all things to content his Lordship, and the company with so much attendance and obseruance, as it was rather a trouble and offence to any well minded to see their extraordinary paines taken in ther seruice, than cause of exception in any wise, especially for that it did appeare, There was prouided what the countrie could any way afford.

There his Lordship rested from that time forward, sometimes riding abroad to take the aire on horse-backe, other times in his Carroch, & euer with much applause and admiration of the people. So that it could not but giue him much contentment to obserue how welcome he seemed generally to the whole country. In his passages abroad he tooke occasion to shew his bounty to the poore, which in that place abound greatly, many of them being very miserable creatures to see, and wherewith his Lordship was in mercy & charity much moued, not sparing his purse one houre in the day; for besides what he gaue abroad, he neuer shewed himselfe in his gallery but he prouided good summes of money to giue for reliefe of those miserable poore people, who indeede during his abode there made little account of other liuing than of his reliefe.

Whilest we rested in the *Groyne* a certaine mariner

ner being one of the Repulse, and hauing vpon Wednesday the seuenteenth day of the present moneth of *April* brought on shore some company and staying in Towne vntill amongst lewd company he became tipled; that thereby he gaue offence in his behauour, by violent striking of one of the Churchmen of the towne, although it was not directly complained of by any, either of the Church or of the towne, yet by chance came to his Lordships knowledge, who for that he receaued such extraordinary kind and liberall vsage both for himselfe and his followers, and that generally from all, if no other cause might moue him but that, was much offended therewith, and therefore thought good to take due punishment of that so foule a fault, commanding that present inquiry should be made through all the shippes; who of them had been on shore, at last finding the offendour, he committed him presently to the Bibboes, there to remaine till the next day which was Friday, what time he appointed *Sir Richard Lewson*, his Admirall and Marshall to call vnto him the other Admiralls and Captaines of the flecte, and throughly to examine the offence and accordingly to proceed without any respect or fauour. They calling before them the said offendour, and finding indeed that the fellow was drunke and by no meanes could remember whether he had stroken the said Churchman or no; & although the maner of his striking was so slight, and the party said to be stroken so vile in reputation of the whole city, as they generally pitied any man should once be called in question for so base a person: the said Commissioners and
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Iurie proceeded and finding him guilty of striking the said Churchman, being contrary to Law and his Lordships former decrees in that behalfe, adiudged him to be presently hanged. Heere it is to be vnderstood that the matter could not be so priuately caried but many of the Towne and some Churchmen also, had made meanes to get aboard and saw the proceeding so austere & resolute, that presently they sollicitated the Conde & the Honourable Condesse his wife vpon any condition to hinder the execution. Whereof, when the Conde, but especially the Condesse and her daughter had taken notice, they neuer left intreating his Lordship to recall his auerred sentence and iudgement: and which to do his Lordship could not without offering much vnkindnesse refuse or denie. Many reasons were alleadged by the Conde and the Condesse, that the party offended was a man vile in reputation and esteemed as a man halfe Lunatike, that the offence was not a malicious or determinate wilful offence, and therefore, the premisses considered, his Lordship could not but with more iudgement passe it ouer, than so seuerely prosecute the execution of Iustice vpon so mean a cause, especially sithence no information or complaint was by the party offended, or by any other of the Court prosecuted on his behalfe. His Lordship thus vrged, granted he should be deliuered vnto the Conde, to be vsed as he thought good, & therefore commanded he should be brought on land and deliuered vnto him, which was done, one of the Masters going along with him, the Boatson leading him with a halter about his necke, who

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when he came before the Conde, fel on his knees, and would haue made much protestation, but the Honorable Conde, tooke him vp, tooke off the halter frō his necke, and commanded him to be carried to eat in the Buttery, for that the dolefull lookes of the man, moued much pity in the Conde.

On Tuesday the foure and twentieth day of *April*, according to the computation of *England*, his Lordship solemnized the feast of Saint *George*, which was done in very solernne maner, and with the more regard for that the townesmen taking notice of his intendment to feast, came in troupes, to see and obserue the fashions of *England*: his Lordship therefore hauing desired sufferance of the Conde, to vse his owne officers for that day, appointed to be serued after the fashion of *England*, both in seruice and diet. And wheras the Conde had for his Lordships state, set vp a cloth of Estate with his proper armes, his Lordship commanded to set vp a state of his owne being rich of Bawdkin, without armes, other then the armes of his Highnesse with *S. Georges* crosse, as is the custome, his owne armes was placed a good distance off vpon the hangings, and on the right hand of the cloth of Estate, for that both the roome was most conuenient as also it was thought the Conde would haue dined with his Lordship, as he was desired. After priuate praiers in his chamber, and that most of his company was come to him, & dinner being serued in accordingly, his Lordship came forth in his robes of *S. George*, to meet the Conde. But the Conde fearing to do any thing that might impeach the honour of his
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Master or be present there to heare any thing pronounced, which might offend him in respect of the honour of his Master, after that he had staied to see his Lordship wash and set at the Table praied leaue and so went to his priuate lodging. At the comming in of the second course, according to the fashion of *England*, the Kings stile was proclaimed in three seuerall languages by *Somersett* herauld crying, Largeesse, who had a liberall reward for the same. And so his Lordship being serued very honourably by persons of the better sort, and very richly in diet and in plate, ended his dinner, sitting alone at the table, but diuers other Lords, Knights and Esquires sitting in the same roome at two other tables by.

After dinner, the Conde came to congratulate his Lordship seeming much to repent him, that he kept not him cōpany at dinner, sithence he had vnderstood by his brother (who stood all dinner time there, and well obseruing all) that there was not any thing, that might giue the least cause of offence or exception. Therefore the Conde discovered that he much desired to keepe him company at Supper, which he did, his Lordship sitting as he did at dinner, vnder the escheon of his own armes, the Conde on the same side but on the left hand the cloth of Estate and at the lower end of the table. Whilest they sate at Supper, much company came in to see them, diuers Ladies and other Gentlemen of the better sort comming priuately to obserue the fashion of our state, which his Lordship performed most honourably and orderly, to the glory of our nation, and to no small honour

of himselfe.

Wednesday, the foure and twentieth day of the said moneth of *April* about noone, there came a gentleman from the Court, who gaue notice to the Conde and his Lordship, that, that night *Don Blasco de Aragon* nephew to the Duke of *Terra noua*: one that had been formerly in *England* with the Constable would be there, who indeed about seuen of the clocke that night, came accordingly, to salute his Lordship from the King his master, and to giue vnderstanding both of the preparation for his Lordship and his company vpon the way as also what order should be presently taken, for their more speedie Iourney.

Tuesday, the thirtieth of *April*, there was appointed a Communion on shipboord, to the which resorted diuers Knights and Gentlemen, and as many as could conueniently come to the same.

On Wednesday & Thursday his Lordship treated with the Conde, the saide *Don Blasco* and *Don Iaspar de Bullion* the *Aposentador*, Mayor to the King, which saide *Iaspar de Bullion* was lately come from the Court of purpose to prouide for his Lordship and his traine with commission from the King to see them furnished of all necessaries for their Iourneying.

In this conference (notwithstanding it had beene formerly vnderstood, there should be no want of meanes or necessaries, for his Lordship and his people in their iourney to Court) it appeared that the company being numbred by the pole to be 650. persons of all sorts, besides their carriages which were
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very many: the country could by no meanes supply the whole number: therefore it was thought good to lessen them, as much as conueniently they might, resolving to leaue diuers of his Lordships owne people aboard the ships, till they returne: some also were dispatched for *England*, with the Carroches, Litters and Mares, and such other his furniture, as by *Don Blasco* was vnderstood he should haue little vse of. And for that, besides riding mules we vnderstood there were sent thither by the King foure litters, and foure coches which staied for vs at *villa Franca*, for the more ease of his Lordship when he pleased and for the reliefe of any Gentleman that might happen to be sicke vpon the way, which in so long and tedious a iourney was likely to be. And indeed as it happened most of them were put to vse, one coch and one litter being appointed for his Lordships owne vse, another coch and litter appointed to the Ambassadour-Leager, and the other seruing sometimes one and sometimes another, as occasion serued and they desired.

Thursday the second day of *May*, there was prepared in the market place, a certaine peece of ground railed in square the space of twenty yards or more, with Scaffolds, built of purpose about the same: wherein the English were very sufficiently appointed and placed, for the seeing of these sports. His Lordship and other the Noblemen were placed in seuerall windowes, in a very faire roome in the Kings State-house, being for that purpose hanged with rich Arras and seuerall clothes of Estate ouer the windowes, on the wall on the outside the house: they being come

to their standings, the Ladies and better sort of the towne being likewise placed in a conuenient roome for that purpose, they began their sports after this maner. First, there was brought in a castle wherein a Lady was enclosed, and kept by foure monsters. The said castle being placed in the midst of the Squadron, there appeared foure Knights armed, with their Pages going before them with Drums and Fife playing: who presently assailed the castle, surprized the monsters, relieued the Lady and so set fire of the castle. This deuise being, as we vnderstood of it, as much to shew the strangeness of the fire works, which indeed were many, as for any other reason which we obserued by the same.

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Then came *Venus, Pallas, Iuno, Cupid* every one led seuerally by Sauages, after whom followed foure other armed Knights, in colours painted blew and white. Then came a third company being foure in number, in coloured armours likewise, with crosses on their breasts in shew like knights of *Matta*, bringing in with them a chariot wherein the chiefe sate *Peace, Plenty* and other vertues, being likewise planted in the same: with their seuerall names written on their backs. After whom likewise followed foure other knights armed, with trumpets sounding. When they had all appeared, they fell to Barriers according to the direction of certaine Gentlemen appointed to marshall the same. Some of our English Lords and Knights being intreated by the Spaniards to assist them therein also: they encountered one another single first by two, after increasing their number according

according to the pleasure of the Iudges and Marshals; when they had broken their staues (or at least done their best to breake them) retiring, fell to it againe with their swords, according to the maner of Barriers, five blows a peece. In a Scaffold directly opposite against the place, wherein the Lords stood, sate the Iudges of these sports amongst whom the Lord *Howard of Effingham* was intreated by the Magistrates of the towne to be one, which Iudges vpon euery encounter gaue reward to the best deseruer: as Scarfes, Gloues, Choppimors, Ribbens, and such like which were by the Knights thankfully receaued, and bestowed as fauoures vpon their mistresses; at last the Knights encountered *pell mell*, one another; and as it seemed in a very furious maner. But the Barre being made in fashion like a trough, and many fire works being cunningly contriued in the same, and duely tooke fire, and so with flame and smoake they were parted.

These sports ended, there was a banquet caried vp to his Lordship & other the Lords and Ladies which were in another roome next adioining, being indeed both plentiful and costly, and serued in by the chiefe Gentleman of the Country and Towne. The banquet ended, and night comming on there were brought into the same place diuers fire works: one in the fashion of a Chariot, another like the wheele of Fortune, another like a Castle, and such like garded and attended with diuers wild men, with clubbes and wheelles, with seuerall fire works: men riding with speares in their hands all conteining squibbes and fire-works,

workes, with which they ranne at one another, as in maner of Tilt. The diuersities of the fire workes were many, and for the strangenesse and maner of performance thereof, generally commended and so well liked as two houres spent in that pastime seemed but a moment.

Friday the third day of *May* his Lordship hauing his company furnished, with conuenient Mules for riding, as also for cariage of their trunks and necessaries, about eleuen of the cloke accompanied with the Gouvernour and other the Magistrates of the towne, set forward on his iourney. *Don Blasco de Aragon*, and *Don Iaspar de Bullion* the chiefe Herbenger for the King, accompanying his Lordship for the purposes aforesaied: in the passage from the towne the waits and shagbots were placed playing all the while; at our departing from the towne and our leaue taking of the Gouvernour, they gaue a small volley of shot out of the towne. His Lordship being halfe a mile out of the towne and yet within sight of the ships as they lay at Road, the said shippes tooke their leaue also of vs with many peece of ordinance.

The said Gouvernour, as before is mentioned is named *Don Lewis, de Carilla de Toledo &c.* and is of the countrie of *Castilla*, but appointed heere by the King as Gouvernour of the *Groyn* and all the countrie of *Gallicia*: a man of very mild and affable behauour, very curteous and most respectiue of the English in generall, as by the great care and good vsage of vs whilest we lodged in the *Groyn* appeared.

That night being as is aforesaied the third day of
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May, according to the computation of *England* we rode to *Bytaunce*, being distant three leagues from the *Groyne*, where his Lordship and his company were well entertained and lodged.

Saterday the fourth day of *May*, we rode from *Bytaunce* to a certaine town called *Villa Alua*, 6. leagues, where our entertainment was such as the towne could affoord, by reason of the meanes thereof.

Sunday the fifth day of *May* we rode forward to a very faire towne called *Lugo*, being distant from *Villa Alua* seven leagues. The Alcaylde and other officers of the town, meeting his Lordship about halfe a mile without the gates, and accompanying vs into the towne, the streets being decked with bowes and the wals of their houses garnished with their best hangings and furniture. In the way comming thither his Lordship receaued letters of intelligence and congratulations from the Conde at the *Groyne*, which he accepted very kindly.

The messenger being dispatched from *Lugo*, and rewarded with a chaine of Gold of good value : on Munday we rode to a certaine towne called *Terra Castella* distant from *Lugo* eight leagues.

Tuesday the seventh day of *May*, we trauelled all the morning vp to a high mountaine by the space of six leagues, and dined at a litle village called *cebrera*, where we receiued such intertainmēt vnexpected, as was altogether in an arbor of green bowes made of purpose of such a conuenient length, that that receiued his Lordship and all the better sort of his traine. And after dinner we rode to a certaine towne called

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Villa Franca, being distant six leagues, where his Lordship was receaued with the townesmen, the streets by all the way where we passed being garnished with bowes and strewed with hearbs and flowers: musicke being likewise placed neere the house where his Lordship should lodge.

Wednesday for that the company were somewhat weary, his Lordship disposed himselfe to rest: chiefly, for that the Ambassadour Leadger complained of sicknesse, as also to relieue the Mules, forbearing to trauell in so foule weather as it fell out to be the same day.

Thursday the ninth day of *May* we rode by a town called *Congusta*, to *Beubibre*, to bed, where his Lordship was lodged in a castle of the Conde de *Alualista*, but very old and meane. The towne being so poore and men also, as if the officers of his Highnesse, had not then, as indeed they did, taken more than ordinary paines and care, it had not been possible to haue lodged halfe the Company.

Friday the tenth day of *May*, we came to *Astorga* being a city walled and standing in a pleasant and champion country, and conteining in it many Churches, amongst which one is a Cathedrall, two Frieries and two Noneries. A mile without the towne we were met with the Alcayldy and Officers of the towne, ouer the gates hung diuers guidons and banners of silke: one of them being a large white banner of Damaske, in fashion of a Guydon and placed in the midst of the rest. Musicke likewise playing all the way as we passed, the houses garnished with their
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best hangings, and the streets strewed with hearbs and flowers.

Saturday the eleuenth day of *May* his Lordship hauing had vnderstanding of the fairenesse of the castle there belonging to the *Marquess* of *Astorga*, and being desired by *Don Blasco* to take view thereof, in passing out of the towne, alighted to see the same: the house indeed being a very strong castle and hauing in it a very faire gallery with many goodly pictures and pieces of painting both large and costly, and also a rich library with many fine rarities in the same. After riding foure leagues to a certaine towne called *La Ban'esa*, where in the way comming we were mette with diuers Gypsies (as they termed them) men and women dauncing and tumbling much after the *Morisco* fashion, continued till we came to the towne.

Sunday the twelfth day of *May* we rode eight leagues to a towne called *Benavente*, where a mile without the towne *Alcaylde* & chiefe Officers of the towne met vs: bringing with them a company of Gypsies likewise, singing and dauncing, playing and shewing diuers feats of actiuity: conducting his Lordship to the Conde of *Benevante* his house where he lodged that night.

Munday we rode forward eight leagues, to a certaine towne called *Villa Garcia*, where we were receaued with a morrise daunce of certaine comely gentlemen, being in number eight, as also with eight Boyes attired like Satyres or Shepheards with Shepheards hookes, who as they daunced plaied with the same after the fashion of *Mattachyna*.

In this Towne is a very faire Colledge wherein is only taught the rules of *Grammar*, and grounds of the Latine tongue. It containeth about 600. Scholars: the Church a very faire Church, very richly set out with many goodly peeces of painting: the Altar and Quier exceeding rich and faire. From hence his Lordship receaued order by the Kings officers to go to a certaine towne called *Simancas*, which though it was rather further in distance than *Valladolid*, yet for that his Lordship should not come late nor his company ouer-wearied, this towne was appointed to receiue him before our comming to the Court. Other reasons were giuen, that is, in the right way between *Villa Garcia* and *Valladolid*, a bridge was lately broken, whereby of necessity we must haue passed; and also that the King desired we should enter through the high street and the best part of the towne, which we did: and therefore appointed our way by *Cimancas*. Accordingly we came to *Simancas* on Tuesday at night somewhat late, being ouertaken with extraordinary foule weather, and greatlie annoyed with the same.

In the way between *Villa Garcia* and *Simancas* we passed by a very faire monastery of Monkes of the order of S. *Benedick*, being not long sithence builded, but exceeding faire and rich: whereunto there is belonging inclosed as much ground, as the wal thereof, being of stone, is in circuit, a league, or better: within which is all kind of game royall as Pheasants, Partridges, Hares, Conies and such like. The Church heere is very curiously and workemanly built, and garnished

garnished with many curious peeces of painting, with Copes very rich, and very curiously wrought.

That night at Supper, his Lordship had notice, that it was the Kings pleasure, we should rest at *Simancas* all Wednesday, and not till Thursday come to the Court.

On Wednesday after dinner, there came from the Court *Don Iuan de Suniga* eldest sonne to the Conde de *Villa mediana* Ambassadour in *England*: as also *Don Pedro de Tassis* the new appointed Ambassadour for *England*, accompanied with diuers others, who hauing congratulated his Lordship, staying with him some halfe houre or there abouts, departed.

That night we vnderstood that it was the Kings pleasure, his Lordship should come to Court on Thursday, whereupon euery one taking notice thereof made preparation accordingly.

Thursday being the sixteenth day of *May*, we staid till after dinner expecting to receaue more particular directions from Court, at which time there came to attend his Lordship thither. The marquesse of *Camerassa*, *Don Pedro de Suniga*, *Don Iuan de Tassis*, *Don Blasco de Aragon*, and diuers other Knights and Gentlemen of the Kings house and chamber, bringing with them diuers coches, so that his Lordship was entertained by *Don Blasco*, and the Marquesse in the first coch; the Ambassadour Leager, by some others in the second; other Knights and Gentlemen filling as well the other coches, which came along from the *Groyne*, as those which were brought from Court by

these Lords. After we had trauelled about foure English miles (for from *Cimancas* to the Court it was accounted but six) and hauing been met with many of the better sort, in their coches, his Lordship was moued by *Don Blasco* and the rest, to go into a certain banquetting house which stood vpon the high way, to see the delicacy of the orchards and gardens, as to tast of the variety of fruits within the same. But we rather suppose to make stay for such Nobles as were appointed by the King to giue meeting to his Lordship, and were not as then come forward. During his Lordships stay in this garden there was a horse presented vnto him from the King, which the King himselfe did vse to ride on. After they had staied there by the space of a long houre or more, there came from the Towne diuers Noble men, the chiefe wherof was, the Duke of *Fryas* Constable of *Castilla*, the Kings late Ambassadour in *England*: the Duke of *Infantazgo*: the Duke of *Alberquerque*: the Duke of *Cea*: the Duke of *Sesa*: the Duke of *Pastrana*: The Marquesse of *S. German*: the Conde of *Chincon*: the Conde of *Punion en Rostro*: the Marq. de *Lauanessa*: the Conde of *Aguyllar*: the Conde de *Berosa*: the Conde de *Nieua*: the Conde de *Cornua*: the Conde de *Paredes*: the Conde de *Lodosa*: the Marquesse del *Carpio*: the Marquessods *Tauera*: the Marquess de *Villa Nueva*: the Conde *Apala*: Conde de *Salinas*: Marq. de *Ceralua*: Marq. de *Fuentes*: Marq. de *Alcanes*: Conde de *Galues*, the Admirall of *Aragon*, and many other Lords and Knights in great number. His Lordship setting forward in very good order, accompanied

panied with a great multitude of Nobles, Knights and Gentlemen, as afore is saied. The weather being all that time extraordinarily hot, suddenly to the great disordering of all the company, there fell so great a shewer of raine as the like was not scene of long time before : and continuing till the company could get to the towne, notwithstanding which his Lordship kept still his horse backe, accompanied with many of the chiefe of the company, and riding forward to his appointed lodging, which was in a very faire house of the Conde of *Salinas*, and not farre distant from the Court; an infinite number of people, 800. coches filled with Ladies were gotten out of the towne to meet and see his Lordship and his company, all which tooke part of this great shewer to their no little discomfort.

The order of our going into the towne was appointed as followeth : First rode two Trumpets, all the sumpter and carriages being about two houres before sent into the towne : after whom followed certaine Gentlemen seruants to the Knights and Lords, as also the Leadger Ambassadors seruants in liueries very faire to the number of sixty. Then followed six Trumpeters of his Lordships in suits of Damaske holding their Trumpets in their hands, but not sounding. Then came diuers Gentlemen of good sort, with whom also followed his Lordships Gentlemen and principall Officers in their Liueries of blacke veluet to the number of thirty. Then followed the Esquires, Knights and Lords euery one according to their degree, being accompanied with
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seuerall Spanish Knights and Lords ; after whom came his Lordship accompanied with the Nobles afore mentioned ; which order , for that the raine fell so exceedingly, could not be continued as was ment, but by reason thereof, diuers made what hast they could to their lodging ; and yet were thoroughly wet before they could get thither. His Lordship accompanied as afore and entring into the towne at the Gate called *La Puerta del Campo*, passed through the chiefe parts of the towne and along by the Court gate. The King, Queen and Ladies (as it was said) standing in seuerall windowes to take view of the company ; about six of the clocke came to the place appointed for his Lordships lodging.

That night came diuers Noble men as also the *Mayordomo* to the Queen to visit his Lordship from her Highnesse, which was much wondred at by the Spaniards themselves, for that (if they speake true) they neuer knew the like fauour done to any Ambassadour whatsoeuer.

The next day being Friday the seuenteenth day of *May*, there came to visit his Lordship the Duke of *Lerma*, *Don Francisco Gouees de Sandoual &c.* a man of especiall regard and account with the King, accompanied with diuers Dukes and Condes.

Thither also that day came the Duke of *Medyna de Rioseco*, a youth of ten yeares of age, Admirall of *Castilla* by inheritance, accompanied with diuers other Lords and men of great account.

Vpon Saterday the eighteenth day of *May* in the morning the King sent the Conde d' *Guklues*, and
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diuers others of his Priuy chamber to visit his Lordship the same day.

The first audience somewhat before dinner ; his Lordship had intelligence that the Kings Maiesty intended to giue him audience in the after noone ; whereof the English Lords, Knights and Gentlemen taking notice prepared themselves to giue their attendance , although not in so good fashion as they desired, & would , had they had vnderstanding thereof ouer night : his Lordship therefore staying his Highnesse pleasure , about three of the clocke in the after noone.

The Constable accompanied with twenty Noblemen or more , whereof three or foure of them were of the Grandes of *Spaine* ; and diuers other men of dignity and esteeme in the Court , bringing with them many coches , came to conduct his Lordship and the company to the Court ; many people were gathered in the streets to see the passage of his Lordship & his company. The number of the coches was about twenty ; but notwithstanding many of our Noblemen and Knights rode vpon their rich footeclothes , the Kings guard waited euen from the vttermost gate of the Pallace to the Presence chamber dore , being all newly suited in colloured veluet yellow & red, but in seuerall habits ; that thereby they might be the better distinguished being in number 300. whereof there are 100. Swissers, 100. Spanish horsemen, and 100. Wallons. At the Pallace gate stood diuers Noble men, Knights and Gentlemen, amongst whom was the Duke of *Infantazgo*, the Mar-
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queste of *Vellada*, and others all appointed to receaue and giue his Lordship entertainment, and to conduct and guide the company vp into the Presence, where the King sate vnder a rich cloth of Estate, and by him stood eight Grandes of *Spaine* couered. The care these Lords tooke to giue contentment to the English was so great, that we might easily perceiue, they spared not to put out of the saide roome all manner of people of what condition soeuer, of purpose to make way, and giue place euen to the meanest of the English, which would presse in to see the King, not keeping out any of how meane condition soeuer.

His Lordship hauing deliuered his mind in Orati-
on by the mouth of Master *Gyles Porter* his Interpre-
ter, as also the Kings Maiesties Letters into his High-
nesse owne hands: the King descending from his
chaire gaue intertainment to his Lordship with most
kind and affable behauiour, appointing him to sitte
downe by him and that very neere, which especiall
fauour was much obserued, and reported as a thing
neuer vsed to any Ambassadour before that time.
Some short time spent in conference with his Lord-
ship, his Highnesse was pleased to take notice of such
Nobles and Gentlemen, as accompanied his Lord-
ship in this his long and painfull iourney: and there-
upon required they should draw neere, which they
did, each after other, to do their reuerence, and, as
they say, *Besar las manos*, which was only in bowing
low to the ground, without touching either hand or
foot, or any other part of his garments: this done his
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Lordship tooke his leaue, and the King appointed the Constable and others to conduct his Lordship and company to the Queenes side : where in a very faire presence, fate her Highnesse with the *Infanta* by her, vnder a rich cloth of Estate, accompanied with many Ladies and Maides of Honour, diuided on either side the same roome, a good distance each from other, standing close by the wall, almost from one end of the chamber to the other. The Gentlemen, Knights and Lords going along and before his Lordshippe, were receiued by the *Mayordomo* to the Queene, and so conducted to her presence.

After some conference and complement his Lordship taking leaue of her Maiesty, for that it began to be late, all the Lords, Knights and Gentlemen, were called vp to the Queen, as formerly they had been to the King, euery one after other bowing himselfe in obedience and kissing the skirt of her Highnesse kirtle departed : being conducted by the said Dukes and Lords which both brought them to the Court and accompanied them backe againe to his lodging.

Sunday, the nineteenth day of *May*, the Kings Maiesty went in procession, first going into the Church neere the Pallace called Saint *Paules*, & after through the towne to a Church called Saint *Maries*; in maner as followeth :

First went many Friers singing, bearing amongst them diuers crosses, banners, and other ceremonious reliques of the Church, the Sacrament being likewise caried by foure church-officers.

Then followed diuers Noblemen according to their degrees.

Next before the Kings owne person went the yonger of the Princes of *Sauoy*.

Then the king himselfe in person : after whom followed the Cardinal being Archbishop of *Toledo*, and with him the Prince of *Sauoy* the elder brother. Then followed together, the Prince of *Moroco*, the Emperours Ambassadour: the Ambassadour of *France*: the Ambassadour of *Venice* : after whom followed diuers Gentlemen of the Kings chamber, and the rest of the traine. After dinner there was preparation made for the christening of the Prince, and for that the Court stood from the Church, there was set vp of purpose, for a more close and conuenient passage, a very large Scaffold adioining to the end of a long Gallery, and to the Church likewise, the timber whereof was all couered with cloth of Gold very rich, and the Scaffold being high was a good meanes to giue sight to all the people. The manner of their comming to Church was in this sort : The Kings Trumpets were placed neere and before the Church, in seuerall companies, alwaies sounding and one answering other: about foure of the clocke in the after noone, there appeared, descending by the Scaffold afore mentioned, to go into the Church of *S. Paules*, which, as is likewise said, adioining to the scaffold; the Knights, Lords and Grandes going before : and some Dukes of especiall name, bearing diuers ceremonies likewise ; as the *Salera* or *Salt* borne by one, the Taper of wax by another, the Chrisme by another : then the Crown borne

borne by the Constable, before whom went the King of Armes. The Prince was borne by the Duke of *Lerma*, in his armes; but tied to him with a rich scarfe or Band : he was assisted by the Prince of *Sauoy* and the Conde of *Miranda*. Then followed the Infanta in a chaire as it should seeme made for that purpose, and borne by diuers Gentlemen of the Kings bed and Priuy chamber, on their shoulders, assisted by the yonger Prince of *Sauoy*. At the Church doore the Cardinal staid for them in his Pontificalibus accompanied with three Bishops and other especiall officers of the Church : the singing men going before, and so conducting them to the Font, which was richly prepared and couered with a Canapy of cloth of gold ; the Cardinall performed all the ceremonies according to the order of their Church, and so with Church musicke, noise of Trumpets and many other wind Instruments they finished their ceremonies, returning in such maner as they went, being accompanied also with most of the great Ladies of the kingdom, and those of the Court.

He was Christened *Phillippe Domingo Victor*.

His Godfather was the elder Prince of *Sauoy*, of whom he tooke his name, *Victor*.

His Godmother was the *Infanta* his Sister.

His Lordship was placed conueniently in the house of the Conde d' *Rubadania*, in the morning, both to see the procession, as also the going of the Prince to Christening. But so soone as they were passed by, he with some other were priuately conueied through a gallery on the backside of a Mona-

stery into the Church, into a place appointed of purpose for him and the Lords that were of his company.

On Munday in the after noone the Ambassadour Leadger was by his Lordship presented to the King, and by him gratioously receaued and allowed. That day in the after noone, came diuers Ambassadours to visit his Lordship : as first, *Don Francisco de Meschite* Ambassadour for the state of *Venice*; as also the French Ambassadour, *Monsieur Baron de Barault Cheualier*, who after some short stay departed. At the time of the French Ambassadours being there, came likewise the Ambassadour resiaunt for the Emperour. His Lordship euer shewing much affability and curtesie and accompanying them on their way to their coches with kind behauour of his, being greatly obserued, caused an extraordinary respect and an exceeding loue of all men towards him.

That night also came to visit his Lordship the Cardinall of *Toledo* : being a very stately Prelate, well discended, very rich, in his cariage very curteous; and in his expence liberall, as by the apparelling of his pages and seruants, and by his rich Sumpter cloths, hangings and such like might well appeare.

Tuesday, the one and twentieth of May, his Lordship was conducted by *Don Blasco* vnto the church called *S. Maries*, to see the ceremony and state of the Queenes churching, whither the King and Queene came together; the King riding on horsebacke, the Queene in a very rich chariot of cloth of gold drawen by foure horses all trapped and harnessed with cloth
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of golde : in which chariot likewise sat the *Infanta*. Next followed in another chariot, the yoong Prince in the armes of an ancient Ladie. After followed two other caroches of blacke veluet, wherein sat diuers Duchesses, Countesses, and other great personages, widowes.

Then followed foure other caroches, all of one fashion, wherein sat seuerall Ladies the Queenes Maids.

This was the first day of the Queens going abroad, and as we accounted of it, her Churching day.

This day his Lordship was inuited to dinner to the Constables, where he was accompanied by the Duke of *Alberquerque*, the Duke of *Cesa*, and others. The maner of feasting being not vsuall in *Spaine*, and our company being many, could not all receiue that contentment which the Constable desired to giue in generall. For the countrey considered, it is much to be maruelled, how they could do what they did; but it plainly appeared, nothing was left vndone for want of cost, and that all preparation was made that the countrey could any way affoord for their enterテインment.

Wednesday his Lordship was visited by the *Conde de Lemos*, accompanied with diuers Noblemen and men of good quality.

That day likewise, and Thursday, his Lordship visited aswell the Ambassadors afore mentioned, as also diuers other Lords and Ladies in the towne.

Friday, the foure and twentieth day of May, *Thomas Knoell* Esquire, his Highnesse seruant and Messenger for the deliuerie of certaine Presents to the King of *Spaine*, expecting and attending the Kings pleasure

pleasure therein, was sent for by *Don Blasco* to come and bring the sayd Presents into a priuate Garden belonging to the Duke of *Lerma*, where the King and Queene came in person to receiue the same. The Presents were six Horses (three for the King, and three for the Queene) with saddles and clothes very richly imbroidered and costly; two Crosbowes with sheifs of Arrowes; foure Fowling-pieces, with their furnitures, all very richly garnished and inlayed with fine plate of golde; and one couple of Lime hounds of an extraordinary goodnesse. Which Presents were acceptably receiued; the King and Queene very much obseruing and admiring the richnesse and fashion thereof.

On Saturday the fiae and twentieth day of May, there came to visit his Lordship the Bishop *Salustius Taernsius* Bishop of *Montepolitan* in *Hetruria*, and Ambassador for the Duke of *Florence*. After dinner came likewise to visit his Lordship *D. Iuan de Bourch Conde de Figaroa*, President of *Portugall*, with his foure sonnes. That day also came to visit him, together with the Constable, the Conde *de Oliuares* accompanied with diuers Marquesses and Earles. This Conde was one of them that was in *England* in the time of *Queen Mary*. The same day in the after noon his Lordship visited the Queen and deliuered her a faire rich Jewell as a token from the Queen of *England*.

Sunday and Munday his Lordship went abroad to visit diuers Nobles that had formerly been with him, as also spending some part of the same time in concluding

concluding with the Councell of *Spaine* of matters concerning his Ambassage : and of all things necessary for the effecting and performing the same.

Tuesday the eight and twentieth day of *May*, his Lordship and all the rest of the company were invited to dinner to the Duke of *Lerma*; where they were most honourably intertained, receauing there all contentment that might be, for besides the plenty of his cheare the manner of the entertainment could not be bettered. At the Table his Lordship was accompanied with the Duke of *Lerma*, the Duke of *Infantasgo*, the Duke of *Alberquerque*.

They were attended vpon at this feast by diuers Nobles, Marquesses and Earles, with many Knights and Gentlemen of the Kings priuy chamber and few others.

And besides the seuerall sorts of musicke, during the time of dinner, his Lordship and the rest hauing receiued what could be possibly giuen at the Table, they were caried downe into a faire court, paved with square stone, in the midst whereof was a fountaine of cleare water. The whole Court couered with canuas to defend and keepe off the heat of the sunne, which at that time shone extreamly. In this Court was of purpose a stage erected, with all things fitting for a play, which his Lordship and the rest were invited to behold. The King and Queen being in priuate likewise Spectators of that Interlude. To write of euery particular of the Dukes entertainment, were too much: for he tooke exceeding care to performe all things with the greatest state, as well appeared in this:

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that for that the kitchin was crosse a square Court, there were set vp high posts of timber with canuas strained, to couer and defend the same in the passage of the meat from the dresser. The ground being likewise couered with hangings of leather that no dust should arise whilest the seruice passed by: At this feast feuerall Healths were druncke to the Kings of Great *Brittaine* and *Spaine*, and to the happy continuance of the peace: begun by the Duke of *Lerma*, seconded by his Lordship, and performed by all the company at the table. Many Ladies of great account came priuately to see and obserue his Lordship and the company as they sate at meat, well allowing and applauding the plenty and bounty vsed at this feast, being indeed such a one as the like was not scene in *Spaine* many yeares before.

Wednesday his Lordship concluded with the Constable and *Alexander Rouida*, Senatour of *Milaine*, as concerning all matters touching the taking of the Kings oath.

Thursday the thirtieth day of *May*, being *Corpus Christi* day, the King went in Procession, and for that he would be scene by the English, the course was appointed by the gate where his Lordship lodged. The manner was, as followeth:

First, came eight great Giants, three Men, three Women, & two Mores with a Taber and Pipe playing and they dauncing. Then followed certaine Pilgrimes clad in blew. After whō came many Crosses, being in number, 25. or 26. borne & attended by the officers of the feuerall Churches to which they belonged.

longed. Amongst whom were also mingled diuers pictures of Saints : as Saint *John*, S. *George* killing the Dragon, Saint *Michaell*, Saint *Francis*, Saint *Andrew*, Saint *Dominicke*, Saint *Martin*, the picture of Christ in seuerall formes, *Mary Magdalen*, our Lady in diuers fashions also. Many holy and pretious reliques, Friers *Mories* dancers, in maner of *Gypsies*, beasts with fire-works, Wild-men and such like toies, as it should seeme to draw the people more readily with admiration. After these followed diuers other Church reliques, Friers *Augustines*. Other Friers of the order of Saint *Francis* with their reliques. Many Churchmen with lighted tapers in their hands; the Kings Pages bearing torches: Then the Sacraments borne by foure Churchmen in rich Copes: Then the Lords and Grandes of *Spaine*; Then followed the King bearing a lighted taper of Virgin wax; after whom followed the Cardinall, the Emperours Ambassadour, the French Ambassadour, and the Venetian Ambassadour; the Prince of *Sauoy*, the Prince of *Moroco* and others, all bearing their tapers lighted in their hands.

The same day his Lordship staid till foure of the clocke after noone, vntill his Highnesse pleasure were knowen, that he was pleased as that day to take the oath formerly agreed on between them. About which time there came to his Lordship *Don Blasco de Aragon*, who brought word that the King expected his Lordships comming to the Court as that day, and therefore for the more conuenient passage of the Nobles and Gentlemen that were to attend him thi-

ther, order was taken, that all should be supplied with Gennets that wanted and would send to the Kings stable for the same. Euery man being furnished, his Lordship set forward to the Court, the Constable & *Don Pedro de Suniga* being sent to accompany his Lordship thither, as also diuers other Knights and Lords, whose names, for the sodainnesse of their coming and the number of them being so many, could not be had. His Lordships owne Gentlemen were in seuerall coches afore and staied at the Court gate expecting his Lordships comming thither, where likewise great preparation was made: diuers Noble men and others staying there to receaue his Lordship and his company. Amongst whom were the Duke of *Lerma* and some other Grandes and those of the greatest Lords in *Spaine*.

His Lordship being thus receaued, was conueied vp through a long Gallery into a Presence, and so into another inner roome: the Gentlemen, Knights and Lords euer going before in very good order. In which roome his Maiesty staied for the comming of his Lordship, receauing him with affable and kind congratulation, and tooke him along with him by his side. The Kings Sergeants at Mace going first, after following all the Graundes and Lords of *Spaine* one among another: then the foure Kings of Armes in their coats of Armes: then the Duke of *Lerma* bearing the Sword naked, wherein one thing is especially to be noted, that the Duke bare not the Sword vpright, as is the custome of *England*, but bare it lying vpon his right shoulder: so the King and his Lords
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went together into a very faire banquetting house very lately built, the Ambassadour Leadger, the Lords and diuers others following.

The King sitting in his Estate, his Lordship and the Ambassadour Leadger were placed vpon his left hand : the Grandes and other the Noblemen of *Spaine* being seated on the other hand, two degrees lower. Before the King was brought a little Table, whereon lay the Bible and a Crucifix vpon it. The Archbishop of *Toledo* read the oath with a reasonable loud voice: at one part of the oath his Lordship held the Kings hands between his : to which oath the King sware kneeling and laying his hand vpon the Booke, and afterwards subscribed to the Articles and Agreements drawen and concluded by both Kings.

Friday, the one & thirtieth day of *May*, his Lordship dined early, for that there was that day appointed a sport, which they call *Inego de Toro*, and also *Inego de Canas*: and for that his Lordship and all his company from the meanest to the highest, should haue the pleasure of the fights, there were some appointed to see euery Englishman furnished of conuenient roome : which they did; *Don Blasco* himselfe taking an especiall care and respect thereof. About the middest of the day came the King and Queen riding on horsebacke with many Lords and Ladies all on horsebacke likewise, after the Spanish fashion, euery Lady accompanied with one or other man of worth : his Lordship was placed in the standing with the King

and Queene ; and the other Lords were placed not farre off. There were that day killed foureteene Bulls; the maner whereof was in this sort : First, the market place, being very square and of a great largenesse, was round built with Scaffolds very strong ; the ground couered very thicke with sand, so that they were faine diuers times to bring in many carts of water, both to allay the dust as also to coole the reflection of the sunne vpon the place. In which, none were appointed to be but such as were designed to play the sports. The Bull being turned out, they thotte sticks with sharpe pins and pricks which might sticke fast in his skinne, thereby the more madding him, he seemed to be most valiant that durst afray the Bull in the face and escape vntouched : but some escaped not well, for it cost them their liues. There was another maner of striking the Bull in the face with short speares, to the which diuers Lords and Gentlemen very well mounted, their pages following them with diuers hand-speares for that purpose ; wherein many shewed good valour, and strake the Bull very cunningly and manly : but yet some of their Gennets payed deare for it, being both hurt and killed. To this sport came two Gentlemen one after another, and as it was reported, supplying the places of Champions to the King, riding on horses blinded, and so taking their stand, waiting for the comming of the Bull against them, very manly with a speare of good length and strength, strake him in the head, and escaped without hurt, though not being without danger.

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After this, beganne their sports of *Inego de Canas*, wherein the King himselfe was an Actor. First came riding twelue Drummers with Kettle-drummes playing; then followed thirtie Trumpeters, all clad in red and white silke coats; then followed twelue *Açemulaes* or great Mules with coverings of red veluet, bearing bundles of Canes, tied and chained with great hooks of siluer: then followed the Kings Gentlemen and Pages richly suited, being to the number of two and thirtie or thereabout. After them were led by seuerall Groomes six and twentie riding horses richly couered.

For the two Princes of *Sauoy* were shewed: First two Pages riding, bearing on their armes Targets all white: after whom were ledde three horses couered with caparisons of blacke veluet imbrodered richly with pearle: then followed twelue other horses, clad likewise in blacke veluet, but imbrodered with siluer.

For the Duke of *Lerma* were led six horses with caparisons of white and red: the Groomes and Pages attending, and all alike suited.

For the Constable were led foure and twenty horses of seruice couered with white and greene: his Pages and Groomes also alike suited.

The number of horsemen that shewed themselves in these sports were fourescore, whose names hereafter follow, according to a note thereof deliuered by one of good woorth and of especiall respect with the King.

I. Quadrill.

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<i>The King.</i>	_____	<i>The Duke of Lerma.</i>
<i>Duke of Cea.</i>	_____	<i>Conde de Gelues.</i>
<i>Marq. of S. German.</i>	_____	<i>Don Hen. de Goseman.</i>
<i>Conde de Mayalde.</i>	_____	<i>Don Petro de Castro.</i>
<i>Marq. de la Venessa.</i>	_____	<i>Don Garçia de Figueroa.</i>

 2. Quadrill.

<i>Don Diego de Sandomall.</i>	_____	<i>D. Antonio de S. Fago.</i>
<i>D. Alonso Lopes de Mella.</i>	_____	<i>D. Diego de Sebro.</i>
<i>D. Lewys de Alcarath.</i>	_____	<i>D. Galuan.</i>
<i>D. Diego Nino.</i>	_____	<i>Don Pedro de Aryetta.</i>
<i>D. Diego de Lieua.</i>	_____	<i>D. Hieronimo de Sandomall</i>

 3. Quadrill.

<i>Duke of Infantasgo.</i>	_____	<i>D. Diego Sarmiento.</i>
<i>Conde de Barasa.</i>	_____	<i>Conde de Paredes.</i>
<i>Conde de Coruna.</i>	_____	<i>Conde de Lodosa.</i>
<i>Conde de Nieua.</i>	_____	<i>Don Iuan de Tassis.</i>
<i>The Admyrall of Aragon.</i>	_____	<i>D. Lewys Enriques.</i>

 4. Quadrill.

<i>The Constable of Castilla.</i>	_____	<i>Marq. de Cuelar.</i>
<i>Conde de Aguillar.</i>	_____	<i>Marq. del Carpio.</i>
<i>D. Bernardino de Velasco.</i>	_____	<i>D. Fran. de Velasco.</i>
<i>D. Antonio de Velasco.</i>	_____	<i>D. Alonso de Velasco.</i>
<i>D. Manuell de çuniga.</i>	_____	<i>D. Andreas Velasques.</i>

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The Duke of Alua ——— *Conde de Salinas.*
Marq. de Villanueva. ——— *D. Martyn Valerio.*
D. Pedro de çuniga S. de } — *D. Manuell de Alencastro.*
Flores. ——— }
Marq. de Tarara. ——— *D. Diego Piementel.*
Conde de Ayala. ——— *Marq. de çerralua.*

6. Quadrill.

The Duke of Pastrana. ——— *Conde de Cosentagna.*
Comendador Mayor de } — *D. Carlos de Borsa.*
Montesa. ——— }
Marq. de Fuentes. ——— *D. Lewys Nino.*
D. Pedro de Fonseca. ——— *D. Ferdinand: de la Cerda.*
D. Bernard de Rozas. ——— *D. Iuan Vicentela.*

7. Quadrill.

Conde de Alualista. ——— *D. Bernard: de Toledo.*
D. Fernando de Toledo. ——— *D. Anto: de Toledo.*
D. Philippo de Valencia. ——— *D. Fran. Congusta.*
D. Lewys de Gozman. ——— *D. Iuan de Gozman.*
Marq. de Alcanes. ——— *Marq. de Fales.*

8. Quadrill.

The Prince of Sauoy. ——— *The Prior of Iuan.*
Mar. Dofte. ——— *D. Diego de las marinas.*
D. Fran. de Cordoua. ——— *D. Iuan de Heredia.*
D. Aluard de Mendoza. ——— *D. Pero Mune.*
D. Francisco Finea. ——— *D. Pedro de Licamo.*

At their first appearance they came riding in by couples two after two, very swiftly, richly attired with their Targets on their shoulders, holding and shaking long staves such as the Moores or Arabians are described to use. When they were all come, they diuided themselves to sides, every side into foure squadrons, every squadron being tenne in number; when they were ready holding their staves in their hands, the Kings side gaue the first charge; the other side vnder-taking the same and charging on them likewise; thus they continued still chasing one another, squadron vpon squadron throwing their Canes one after other, by the space of a long houre or better: and so their sports ended.

Saturday the first of *Iune* his Lordship was inuited by the King to see a muster of armed men, in a place called *El campo*, being launces, light horsemen and Carbynes, to the number of two thousand, whereof the Duke of *Lerma* was the Generall. His Lordship stood with the King and Queene, the rest of the English were placed in a Scaffold, built for them of purpose: which said souldiers being diuided made some shew of salies each vpon other, very pleasingly and warlike: and after a few skirmishes, drew themselves into a ring, and marching along vnder the window where his Maiesty stood, departed.

Sunday, Munday and Tuesday were used as daies of rest after their great feasts: and spent onely in visitation and matters of complement with one or other.

Wednesday his Lordship dispatched Sir *John Tre-*

nor for *England* with letters of intelligence to his Highnesse : who tooke with them the *Aduantage*, which lay at Saint *Andreas* with the rest of the Shippes.

Thursday, the sixth day of *June*, his Lordship was appointed both to dine and suppe early, which he did, because both his Lordship, as also all other the English Lords and Gentlemen, were inuited to see a maske, about six of the clocke therefore came *Don Blasco* to conduct his Lordship and the rest through a priuate Gallerie of the Kings which ioined to his Lordships lodging, to the appointed place, which was the new built banquetting house formerly spoken of, by them termed the *Grand sala*: where was appointed very conuenient roome for his Lordship and the rest of his Followers. The roome was garnished with three hundred and twenty lights of wax, al set in standers of siluer, of diuers fashions, some great and some small. After two or three seuerall songs song by diuers voices in parts, placed seuerally in the same hall for that purpose; the maske appeared, and began as followeth:

First came thirty Musitions clad in long garments of red Taffaty garnished well to the shew, playing on seuerall instruments. After whom followed six Virgins dauncing: one bearing in her hand a Sunne, another a braunch of Oliue-tree: another an Ancor: another a Sword with two points: on either point a bunch of flowers.

Then followed a Charriot, made of an Antike fashion, being drawen by two line horses, but excec-

ding little. In the vpper part whereof sate the *Infanta*, with a scepter of gold in her hand : with the picture of a doue on the vpper end thereof ; at her feet sate two other Virgins , who attended her. On either side went diuers Pages , bearing Torches of white wax.

At the vpper end of the Hall was appointed a very rich State all of Masons worke , ascending vp by degrees richly gilded , and garnished with diuers statues all gilt ouer ; in which were planted three chaires : two great , and one lesser , and that between the other two. In which middle chaire the *Infanta* being taken out from her Charriot was placed. The two Virgins neere her , and the other six vpon the degrees at the foot of the Estate. At the neather end of the said hall stood the Maskers in a Gallery contriued for the purpose , who vpon the drawing of a Curtyn , appeared as it were in clowds. The number of them were eight and twenty Knights and Ladies , beside torch bearers , wherof the King and Queen were two : the rest all Grandes and men of great Honour. The Ladies were all the Queens Maides. The said Gallery being built in manner of an arch , and fully set with looking glasse , with the light of the torches shone as if it had been garnished with infinite number of starres. The musicke playing , the Maskers descended by foure and foure at a time in a stage made in fashion of a clowde , and so dauncing to the vpper end of the Hall , before they could returne backe other foure appeared , and so ioined altogether , vntill the number were come forth and then daunced altogether

together in good forme and measure.

After diuers daunces and measures appointed of purpose for this shew ; the King and Queen, and so likewise all the company, vnmasked themselues ; the King and Queen taking their seats in the places and chaires before mentioned : before whom were diuers Galiards daunced by the seuerall Lords and Ladies vnmasked. The Earle of *Perth* and the Lord *Wiloughby* were inuited and daunced likewise. The King and Queen diuers times salied out from their chaires of Estate and daunced openly. At last they began a Calling daunce, which was begun by the Duke of *Lerma* holding a torch lighted in his left hand. The maner was; euery man called forth 2 women, chusing one especiall, conducted the other to her place, and left the chosen to call out 2. men, who likewise deliuering the torch to one especiall, conducted the other to his seat. Thus it passed to and fro amongst many of the great Lords and Ladies ; at last the King was called, and his L. likewise ; but the torch being deliuered to the King, his L. was againe brought to his seat. The King called forth the Queen and another, and after a few trauerses, when the time came he should haue chosen and deliuered vp his torch, he deliuered it to a Page standing by, and so the sports ended.

Friday, the seuenth of *Iune*, his L. was appointed to take leaue of the King, and so to set forward on his iourney for *England* ; therefore taking notice of his L. desire of returne, ordered he should haue audience in the after noone. In the meane time his Highnesse sent by *Don Pedro çuniga* and some other, diuers

chaines of gold to the number of 14. or thereabouts, to some of the Kings seruants & his L. chiefe officers: hauing likewise before sent by *Don Pedro çuniga* vnto the Lords and many other Knights and especial men of his L. company and traine seuerall Jewels and chaines, very rich. About foure of the clocke in the after noone, his Highnesse sent to his L. a very rich present of Jewels, both for himselfe and his Lady, which were presented to him by *Don Blasco* and brought by the masters & officers of the Jewel house, who were by him well gratified and rewarded.

Not long after, the Constable and others came to giue his L. knowledge of the conueniency of the time for our comming to the Court: whereupon his L. accompanied with the Lords, Knights, & Gentlemen of his traine in seueral coches, went to the Court, where they were receaued by diuers Lords and Officers of the Court, at the Pallace gate, from whence the Kings guard made a passage euen to the kings Chamber. The King staied to receiue his L. in a gallery; which was long but narrow, with whom his L. had conference in priuate by the space of three quarters of an houre: and fearing to giue offence by tediousnesse, made motion to his Highnesse, that the lords and others of his company might likewise take their leaues. The king very well pleased therewith; the Lords, Knights & Gentlemen took their leaues, being generally well respected of his Maiesty. To conclude all, his L. tooke his leaue also, receauing many gracious and kind words from his Maiesty, as also a ring with a Diamond, said to be of the valew of 3000. pounds,

pounds, which he put vpon his L. finger, and as he said in tokē of wedding him in true loue perpetually, commanding the Duke of *Infantado*, to conduct his L. and the rest to the Queen in like manner to take their leaue of her Maiesty.

Being brought to the Queen where she sate vnder a cloth of Estates with the Ladies & Maids of honor, about her: for that it was late his L. made no long stay, after a short time spent in complement tooke his leaue of her Highnesse: as also, so did all other the Lords and Knights of his traine: to whom the Queen most respectiue bowing her selfe, with much fauor and grace, gaue them a kind Farewell.

His L. being now thoroughly furnished of all conuenient meanes for his iourney, about 5. of the clocke the same day, being Saturday and the 8. day of *June*, set forward, being accompanied in his coch with the Constable & diuers other noblemen in other coches, accompanying his L. a mile or more out of the town, where they taking their leaues departed. That night we rode 6. leagues to a towne called *Duenas*. The next day being Sunday we rode 9. leagues to a town called *Fromista*, where for that *Don Blasco* and others were behind, his L. thought good to stay all Munday, least the weather being very hot, might too much trouble them in riding post, and that were to come after. That night *Don Blasco*, ouertooke his Lordship at *Fromista*.

Tuesday, the 11. of *June*, his L. dined at *Osorno*, and somewhat late after dinner rode to *Herrera* to bed, where he was lodged in a faire house of the Constable

stable of *Castilla*. Within this house are placed diuers pillars with letters engraueu after the maner of the Romane inscription, & so they plainly appeare to be monuments of the Romanes, and left as reliques of their being in that country.

Wednesday, the 12. of *June*, his Lordship rode from thence 8. leagues and lodged at a towne called *Aguilar de Campo*: the Marquesse of *Aguilar* being Lord thereof.

Thursday, we rode forward 7. leagues to a towne called *Rynoso*: a towne seated in the midst of the mountaines.

On Friday, his L. rode to *Villa Concha* to dinner, being 3. leagues and very ill way; after dinner we rode 4. leagues further to a towne called *Villa Ciuil*, to bed; being the worst way and the worst place of intertainment we had in the whole country of *Spaine*, being indeed seated amongst mountains which harbor many beares, wolues & other wild beasts, and where-with the country round about is much troubled.

Saturday, the 15. day of *June*, we came to *S. Andreas* being distant from *Villa Ciuil* 7. leagues, where his L. was receaued by the Magistrates and officers a mile out of the towne. All the streets were strawed with rushes and hearbs, and decked with bowes, and at his entrance into the towne, they gaue him many great ordinance, with volly of small shot.

That night the Ambassador Leadger, *Don Pedro de Zuniga*, who accompanied the King to *Burgos*, came also to *S. Andreas*, where during the time of his stay, his L. expressed his bounty by rewarding *Don Blasco* the

the *Aposentador* and all the Kings other Officers and seruants with great chaines of golde, faire iewels of good value, and large summes of money, to their generall contentment.

Sunday, Munday and Tuesday his Lo. rested at *S. Anderas*, aswell for that the horses sent by the King, his L. owne horses, & the Ambaffador Leadgers horses came not till Tuesday, as also for furnishing the ships with fresh water and victuals for his returne for *England*. And on Sunday in the afternoone his Lo. inuited the *Aposentador Mayor*, *Don Blasco de Aragon*, and others, aboard the ships, where he made them a very great banquet; and at their going off saluted them with many pieces of ordinance.

His L. hauing on Wednesday the 19 of Iune, with all expedition that conueniently might be, shipped the horses, and supplied the ships with all needfull prouisions, about three of the clocke in the afternoon came aboard his ship called *The Beare*, lying at road a long English mile from the Towne, bringing also with him *Don Pedro de çuniga*, who taried and supped with his Lordship that night. After supper his Lordship commanded his Barge to conuey him to his appointed lodging, which was in the Repulse, where he entred, the Trumpets sounding, and being saluted with many shot of great Ordinance.

In the same road his L. anchored till Thursday; and vpon Thursday we put to sea: but for that the tide was spent, and the winde falling out contrary, after an houre or two sailing, we were driuen to cast ancor; resting that night till the next tide: at which time his

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Lo: hoisted saile and put to sea, and with scant winde sailed Friday and Saturday. On Sunday the weather fel out very foule and stormy, insomuch as the Wast-spight spent in that storme her maine mast, but escaped further danger. Munday, Tuesday and Wednesday we sailed but with very vnconstant windes, being many times becalmed. On Thursday afternoone the land was descried, but very farre off. That day and night we sailed within sight of land: and vpon Friday about foure of the clocke in the afternoone we came to an ancor before *Portsmouth*, but somewhat farre into the sea. That night also came the Wast-spight, who made great meanes to come so soone, hauing spent her maine-mast, as is aforesayd. Some of our company made hard shift that night to go on shore, enduring the hardnesse of the weather, which fell out ill all that euening.

On Saturday morning early his Lordship went in his Barge to the Repulse, wherein *Don Pedro* was, and knowing that the sayd *Don Pedro* much desired to be on land, hauing indeed endured much sicknesse at sea; tooke him into his Barge, and so with the company of some other Boats and Pynnesses, came on shore at *Portsmouth* before eight of the clock in the morning, where they were receiued with many shot of great Ordinance from the Castles, Forts, and Walles of the Town. On the shore stood Sir *Lewis Lewkys* knight, accompanied with the Mayor and Officers of the Towne, ready to receiue the sayd Ambassadours, being (as it should seeme) appointed so to doe by the King and Lords of the Counsell. That day euery one hastened

hastened to get off their luggage from the ships, preparing to goe forward likewise on their way toward *London*.

The next day, being Sunday, his Lordship rested there, went to the Church, and heard a sermon publicly.

Munday his Lordship hauing aswell by meanes of the Kings officers and seruants, who were sent for the purpose thither, as by his owne care, prouided for all necessaries to supply him in his iourney towards *London*; about eleuen of the clocke set forward, riding in his Caroch, and taking the sayd *Don Pedro* along with him: and so came that night to *Alton*, where they lodged that night.

Tuesday the second of Iuly, his L. rode from *Alton*, and lodged that night at *Guilford*, hauing taken especiall care, both that *Don Pedro* the Ambassador Leidger, whom his Lo. had brought along in company, should be respectiuely prouided for himselfe as was fitting, as also all other his followers most plentifully supplied for all necessaries in their trauell, and that freely without charge or expence to any of them.

Wednesday they rode forward towards *Kingston*, where the *Conde de Villamediana* and others stayd expecting the comming of the sayd Ambassadour: and where also his Lordship had bountifully prouided for their entertainment in generall.

Thursday his L. hauing appointed the L. *Howard* of *Effingham* and some others of the better sort to accompany the said Ambassadour and the *Conde de Villamediana* to *London*: he himselfe with the rest of

his company rod for *Windsor* castle, where as then the King lay for his pleasure of hunting, who there presenting themselves to his Maiesty, were of him most gratiouſly intertained and welcomed. At what time also his Lo. receaued further order from his Highnesſe when he would be pleased to giue audience to the ſaid Ambaſſadour, and to admit him to his royal Preſence, according to appointment, which was accordingly performed, at the Court at White hall, on Sunday the 14. day of the ſaid moneth of *Iuly* following.

Now for that it doth not fully appeare by this former relation of his Lo. trauell & iourney, how honorably and with what reſpect, he and his whole cōpany were receaued & intertained: Ye ſhall vnderſtand, that firſt, vpon our landing at the *Groyne*, the Gouvernour of the country of *Galicia*, as is afore rehearſed; and as it ſhould ſeeme, by direct order from his Maſter; vpon the former arriuall of certaine ſhippes, wherein were the horſes and other preſents ſent from his Maieſty to the King of *Spaine*; had drawen together much people, and that of the better ſort of the whole country, of purpoſe to make ſhew both of the ſtrength of the country, as alſo to be the more ready to do ſeruice in ſupplying the Engliſh with all neceſſaries; and for this purpoſe alſo, their greateſt care was, that during our abode there, there might appeare no want of any thing. His Lo. as is aforeſaid, was lodged in the Gouvernors houſe, which of it ſelfe was very little, and not able to giue intertainment to ſo great a company. Therefore eſpeciall care was taken

ken, that euery man might according to his estate, be lodged as conueniently and as sufficiently as the place would giue leaue. The towne being much decaied by reason of the late warres ; nor as yet reedified si-
thence the saccage thereof, by Sir *John Norrys* and Sir *Francis Drake*. But we must acknowledge that for the greatest part euery man was lodged there without exception. The care for lodging was not so much as was their exceeding care they had for prouision of victualls and viands to serue the companie : that countrie of *Galicia* being indeed verie mountainous and vnfruitfull. And therefore, although his Lo. was very sufficiently provided for at the *Gouernours* house, and that sihence the roome there, being little, could not by any meanes supplie all : order was taken that in euery house, wherein any Englishman lodged, prouision of diet was made for him and his seruants at the Kings proper cost, wherein of necessity we must obserue both the great charge, as also the great care, that was taken to supply all necessaries in the best fashion : notwithstanding which, there was daily provided so large a table as conueniently could be, for all such Knights and Gentlemen as would at their pleasure come to attend and keep his Lo. company at meat. This interteinment beginning the first day of our arriuall at the *Groyne*, which was the 16. day of *April*: and continuing all the time of our being in the *Groyne*, which was till the third of *May* following, what time we fet forward on our land iourney, being then likewise furnished of Mules both for riding and cariage, all vpon the Kings charge.

The number of Mules sent to his Lo. for riding and cariage were 800. or thereabouts, whereof 24. were great Assinuilas of the Kings prouision, and appointed for his Lo. owne cariages: beside the mules for the Spaniards themselves and their necessaries, which were esteemed about 400. the Mulatters to regard these Mules were numbred to be about 300.

The company of English were accounted 650. Besides these the king sent many of euery office in court, some with the *Aposentador Mayor* afore mentioned as diuers others *Aposentadors* or harbengers; Stewards, Vthers for the Chambers, Sewyers & officers for the Table, officers of the Ewery, Pantry, Seller, Chaundry, 40. of the Spanish guard to serue the Table, cooke pastellers, and such like. Euery of these being particularly furnished with such necessaries as belonged to his office, as we might well perceauce, for that through the whole iourney, they were faine to carie by mules from place to place all the said necessaries for their seruice, as plate, linnen, bedding, hangings, chaires, tables, formes, pastry boards, kitchen furniture, racks, spits, pannes, and such like: as also, most of their prouision of meale, wine, oile, vineger, herbs, fruit, sweete-meates, and such other. Wherein the saide officers, did so carefully and wisely behaue themselves, that it appeared there wanted no will in them either in care or paines, to giue contentment to the whole company of the English. This charge of the kings endured, vntill the returne of his Lordship to the shippes at *S. Andreas*: with very little difference either of meats or seruice at any time.

Whither

Whither, for that the way from the *Groyne* was by experience found to be both long and ill, his Lo. had formerly directed the shippes to go, there to abide and stay his returne, being indeed not about halfe the way from *Vallodelid*, in comparison of his journey from the *Groyne*. Both in our going and returne we might well obserue, how ioyfull our coming seemed to the common people, both by their manner of behauiour, which was curteous, as also by their speeches, which were most kind: who for that they found by experience the ill reports made heretofore of our nation altogether vnttrue, admiring our ciuility and good behauiours; being cleane contrary to that which had been formerly preached vnto them by their Churchmen and Friars; we receaued that kind congratulation and vsage, that was possible for them to giue and vs as strangers and trauailers to receaue. Insomuch, as well we obserued as we passed, the countrey had taken exceeding care to make the waies both easie and pleasing for vs to passe, digging downe hils in many places, and mending the waies with timber, stones and earth; no doubt to their great paines and charge.

By which it most plainly appeared, with what ioy and comfort they receaued the peace generally, manifesting the same aswel by their deeds as words. And no doubt performed much more thankfulness to their King for procuring it, than they would make shew of ioy to vs for obtaining it.

And yet what words might expresse, that might we daily heare, for we might obserue, how they preached

ched the same in pulpits and spake of the same even in their open plaies and Interludes, making, as they said, many feasts and ioies for the blessed peace.

The bounty of the King in gifts aswell to his Lo. as to diuers other of his followers, together with the great charge his Highnesse was at during our abroad there, gaue vs not so good contentment in generall, as did the good esteeme and behauour we found in all from the highest to the meanest, vpon euery occasion ministred to them to shew the same: either in particular or in generall. His Lo. receauing all very thankfully, and not without a reciprocall shew of his bounty and good will againe, being indeed of his purse not sparing, and (with pardon be it spoken) as liberall in his degree as was necessary: whose cariage and behauour during the whole iourney being such, and vpon good intelligence, sufficiently knowen to his Maiesty, who imploied him, and by him is both gratiouly allowed and accepted; he himselfe hath cause sufficient of gladnesse, and no other cause of exception in any sort. So concluding with the blessing of our Sauour, *Beati pacifici*, let vs pray to Almighty God to make his Maiesty as carelesse of warre, as hee from time to time in his great iudgement shall finde peace to be necessary; his people and subiects euer obedient to all his designs and appointments either in warre or peace, and his Maiesty himselfe blest with long life, health and ability to vndergoe either, as it shall seeme best to the diuine Maiesty. *Amen.*

